Unit 2: Money and Personal Finance

Topics of Study

I: Evolution and Functions of Money (pgs. 350-357)

II: Careers and Budgeting (pgs. 723-733)

III: Credit and Debt (pgs. 703-713)

IV: Saving and Investing (pgs. 715-721)

V: Schemes and Scams



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Money

Barter Economy Commodity Money Fiat Money
Medium of Exchange Measure of Value Store of Value

Budgeting / Credit and Debt

Mortgage Bankruptcy Secured vs. Unsecured Credit

Credit vs. Debit Card Interest FICO Score

Financial Institutions, Banks & Investment "vehicles"

Certificate of Deposit (CD)

Checking Account

Money Market Account

Savings Account

Mutual Fund

Compound Interest

Stocks & Bonds & other investments

Savings bondCorporate BondsJunk BondsStockGrowth stockIncome stockStock marketstock brokerdiversification

401K Pension fund Individual Retirement Account

Option (call / put) Futures vs. Spot market Bear and Bull Market

Down Jones Industrial Average New York Stock Exchange NASDAQ

Scams and Schemes

Ponzi scheme Pyramid scheme Multi level marketing door to door sales Modeling & Talent Scams Nigerian 419 scam E-mail phishing Craig's List scams Bait and Switch

Essential Questions

- 1. What are the characteristics and functions of money?
- 2. What is the difference between fixed and variable costs when budgeting?
- 3. What are the 5 C's of credit?
- 4. What are the 5 risks to be considered when investing? What is the relationship between risk and potential return on investments?
- 5. How are strategies of investment different for the young/new investor vs. the elderly or retired investor?
- 6. What is diversification and why is it recommended by investment professionals over investing in one company or a few companies?
- 7. What is the difference between Multi-Level Marketing (MLM), Pyramid schemes and Ponzi schemes?